

1 10A NCAC 13S .0324 is proposed for adoption under temporary procedures as follows:

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3 **10A NCAC 13S .0324 QUALITY ASSURANCE**

4 (a) The governing authority shall establish a quality assurance program for the purpose of providing standards of care
5 for the clinic. The program shall include the establishment of a committee that shall evaluate compliance with clinic
6 procedures and policies.

7 (b) The committee shall determine corrective action, if necessary to achieve and maintain compliance with clinic
8 procedures and policies.

9 (c) The committee shall consist of at least one physician who is not an owner, the chief executive officer or designee,
10 and other health professionals. The committee shall meet at least once per quarter.

11 (d) The functions of the committee shall include development of policies for selection of patients, approval for
12 adoption of policies, review of credentials for staff privileges, peer review, tissue inspection, establishment of infection
13 control procedures, and approval of additional procedures to be performed in the clinic.

14 (e) Records shall be kept of the activities of the committee for a period not less than 10 years. These records shall
15 include:

16 (1) reports made to the governing authority;

17 (2) minutes of committee meetings including date, time, persons attending, description and results of
18 cases reviewed, and recommendations made by the committee; and

19 (3) information on any corrective action taken.

20 (f) The clinic shall conduct orientation, training, or education programs to correct deficiencies that are uncovered as
21 a result of the quality assurance program.

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23 History Note: Authority G.S. 131E-153; 131E-153.5; 143B-165.